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Note to readers

July 4 is a postal holiday, so the Wabash Plain Dealer will not publish a Saturday edition this week. Today's paper is the weekend edition and includes coupons, advertising inserts, color comics and TV listings.



Notice to readers

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Zay to honor Charley Creek Inn's centennial during July's First Friday

Organized by Wabash Marketplace, First Friday encourages the community to celebrate from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 3 in downtown Wabash. There is a free concert on Miami Street featuring The Bulldogs at 7:30 p.m. Sen. Andy Zay, R-Huntington, will present a proclamation for Charley Creek Inn's 100th Anniversary before the concert starts. Other planned activities on Miami Street will include a local youth choir performing a tribute to law enforcement at 7 p.m. For more information, visit <https://www.charleycreekinn.com/charley-creek-inn-100th-anniversary> or www.wabashmarketplace.org or call 260-563-0975.

Wabash city fireworks planned for Saturday

Wabash city fireworks are set to begin at dusk Saturday, July 4, with a rain date of Sunday, July 5. Mayor Scott Long said they will be launched from behind the Street Department on Manchester Avenue as always. They may be viewed from many locations on the north side of Wabash, including the Field of Dreams.

North Manchester July 4 fireworks move to high school

Manchester University is collaborating with Manchester Community Schools and the town of North Manchester to present the 2020 Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks Display on Saturday, July 4. The rain date is Sunday, July 5. The free celebration kicks off at

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Connecticut man, 49, dies in Wabash County two-vehicle crash

Motorcyclist fatally collides with a pickup truck on Thursday morning

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Officers from the Indiana State Police (ISP) and the Wabash County Sheriff's Department responded to a two-vehicle crash on Highway 24 at Wabash County Road 500 East, in which a Connecticut man died at approximately 9:51 a.m. Thursday, according to Sgt. Tony Slocum, ISP public

information officer for the Peru District.

Slocum made the official announcement Thursday afternoon after the death notification was made.

Slocum said the preliminary crash investigation by Senior Troopers A.J. Coffee and Jeremy Perez revealed that Alan Beck, 49, of Woodstock, Connecticut, was driving a 2001 Triumph Tiger motorcycle eastbound on Highway 24 near Wabash County Road 500 East.

Gregory Clem, 59, of Jonesboro, was driving a 2016 Dodge Ram 250 pickup truck southbound on County Road 500 East,

approaching Highway 24.

Slocum said Clem crossed the westbound lanes of Highway 24 and stopped at the medium crossover.

"He allegedly failed to yield to eastbound traffic and pulled into the path of Beck's motorcycle. The motorcycle struck the truck on the passenger's side. After impact, Beck was ejected from the motorcycle," said Slocum.

Beck died at the scene from injuries sustained in the crash. Clem was not injured.

"This is an ongoing investigation, but neither the use of alcohol nor drugs is sus-

pected as having contributed to the crash," said Slocum.

Troopers were assisted at the crash scene by the Wabash County Sheriff's Department, Wabash County EMA and the Wabash County Coroner's Office.

"Hoosier drivers are encouraged to take a second look before pulling into intersections or making a turn," said Senior Trooper Jeremy Perez, an Indiana State Police crash reconstructionist. "Due to the smaller size of motorcycles, sometimes they are hard to see at first glance. Drivers should take their time and take a second look."

'Living Tree' installed outside City Hall

Donors, former mayors to be honored with the display

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

A "Living Tree" installation now mounted outside City Hall will honor both the former leaders of the city and those who donated funds, according to Mayor Scott Long.

In 2017, the City of Wabash Mayor's Youth Council participated in a contest at Mayor's Youth Council Summit at Indiana University and won the competition.

The award, sponsored by Duke Energy, was \$2,500.00 for winning the competition.

"The Youth Council was asked to use the award for a project in the city and they and I decided to have a Living Tree designed and fabricated by Schlemmer Brothers to honor the former mayors of Wabash on the root structure of the tree, and display the names of the donors of brick pavers that were removed from the sidewalk areas downtown," said Long. "After the installation of the Living Tree on the south side of City Hall, I believe that it would be difficult to read the names of paver donors if they are placed on the tree, so I am going to work with Schlemmer Brothers to design and fabricate a metal plaque listing all of the paver donors to place below the Living Tree as a tribute to those who gave freely to the city for the original paver project to beautify downtown."

Long said this "beautiful piece of artwork" on behalf of the Mayor's Youth Council will be "proudly displayed for years to come and enjoyed by visitors and residents alike."

Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Workers install the "Living Tree" display Wednesday outside City Hall.

Holcomb reveals modifications to state's Back on Track Plan

Local governments may impose more restrictive guidelines

STAFF REPORT

Gov. Eric J. Holcomb announced Wednesday the state will modify the Back On Track Indiana plan through at least July 17, according to Rachel Hoffmeyer, press secretary.

While a few restrictions will lift on July 4 in version 4.5 of the plan, most will stay in place. Elkhart County will remain fully in Stage 4 until at least July 17. Local governments may impose more restrictive guidelines.

Holcomb has used data to drive decisions since the state's first case of the novel coronavirus in early March and he continues to do so as the state continues a sector-by-sector reset. The state will move to reopen while continuing to monitor and respond to these four guid-

ing principles:

■ The number of hospitalized COVID-19 patients statewide has decreased for 14 days.

■ The state retains its surge capacity for critical care beds and ventilators.

■ The state retains its ability to test all Hoosiers who are COVID-19 symptomatic as well as health care workers, first responders, and frontline employees.

■ Health officials have systems in place to contact all individuals who test positive for COVID-19 and expand contact tracing.

Through at least July 17, the following restrictions will continue:

■ Social gatherings following the CDC's social distancing guidelines will be limited to up to 250 people. This limit applies to wedding receptions, parties, and other events where people are in close physical contact for extended periods, particularly indoors.

■ Dining room food service

may continue operations at up to 75 percent capacity as long as social distancing is observed. Bar seating in restaurants may continue operations at 50 percent capacity.

Bars and nightclubs may continue operations open at 50 percent capacity as long as they adhere to social distancing guidelines.

■ Cultural, entertainment and tourism sites may continue operations open at 50 percent capacity.

■ Movie theaters, bowling alleys and similar facilities may continue operations open at 50 percent capacity.

■ Amusement parks, water parks and similar facilities may continue operations open at 50 percent capacity. Reservations are encouraged to limit the number of customers at any one time.

■ Raceways may continue operations open at 50 percent grandstand capacity.

Beginning July 4, fairs, festivals and other similar outdoor events may open. Pari-mutuel horse racing and

county and state fair racing may begin with 50 percent spectator capacity. Youth overnight camps may open.

K-12 school operations may begin the 2020-21 academic year on July 1. Extra-curricular, co-curricular activities may resume July 6.

Outdoor visitation is required at assisted living facilities and nursing homes beginning July 4 and indoor visitation may begin. Hospital visitations with precautions are encouraged.

Hoosiers 65 and over and those with high-risk health conditions – who are the most vulnerable to the coronavirus – should adhere to social distancing guidelines and remain cautious. Face coverings in public places are highly recommended.

Holcomb and Indiana State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Kris Box, M.D., FACOG, announced Wednesday a statewide initiative to encourage Hoosiers to wear masks to limit the spread

ISDH adds two local COVID-19 cases; total now 109

State still reports two local deaths, now reports 2,302 tests

STAFF REPORT

On Thursday, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) added two more local COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total now 109.

The state still reported two local deaths, and now reports 2,302 tests.

Statewide on Thursday, the ISDH announced that 453 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at ISDH, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and private laboratories. That brings to 46,387 the total number of Indiana residents known to have the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day's total.

The intensive care unit and ventilator capacity remain steady. As of Thursday, nearly 41 percent of ICU beds and more than 83 percent of ventilators are available.

A total of 2,469 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of 13 over the previous day. Another 193 probable deaths have been reported based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record. Deaths are reported based on when data are received by ISDH and occurred over multiple days.

To date, 496,835 tests have been reported to ISDH, up from 489,716 on Wednesday.

ISDH is hosting the following free drive-thru clinics next week:

■ 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, July 6 to Friday, July 10 at Team Rehabilitation, 223 Chicago Ave., Goshen.

■ 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, July 6 to Friday, July 10 at North Side Gymnasium, 300 Lawrence St., Elkhart.

■ 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, July 6 to Wednesday, July 8 at the Randolph County 4-H Fairgrounds, 1885 Highway 27, Winchester.

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of COVID-19.

The #MaskUpHoosiers initiative is launching with videos and photos of state government leaders, celebrities, and Hoosiers from all walks of life sharing their heartfelt reasons for wearing a mask in public, which is one of the strongest steps possible to limit the spread of COVID-19, saving lives and allowing the state to continue its phased re-opening. Additional photos and videos will be featured as the educational campaign progresses. Visit www.coronavirus.in.gov/mask-uphoosiers to learn more.

For more information, visit BackOnTrack.in.gov

Holcomb signed an executive order implementing these changes to the Back on Track Indiana roadmap. Holcomb also signed an executive order extending the public health emergency through Aug. 3. The executive orders can be found by visiting <https://www.in.gov/gov/2384.htm>.

PULSE

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9 p.m. with the Manchester Civic Band. Families and individuals are encouraged to come early to find a spot, maintaining social distancing with those not in their households, and have a great time. Lawn chairs or blankets will make viewing more comfortable. Parking is available at Manchester High School, Manchester Administrative Building and Manchester Recreation Association. The Rotary Club of North Manchester will sell food, water and soft drinks. The North Manchester Fire Department will light up the sky over the high school baseball field at 10 p.m. with fireworks. For the safety of guests, no alcohol, sparklers or personal fireworks are permitted. Those taking pictures or posting to social media can use #MUJuly4 to share their pictures. There will be no speakers or children's activities this year.

BMV announces July 4 holiday hours

The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) has announced the majority of BMV branches will be closed Saturday, July 4 in observance of the Independence Day holiday. Branches

with a Monday through Friday schedule or a Monday, Wednesday, Friday schedule will be closed Friday, July 3 in observance of the holiday. All satellite branches and branches with a standard Tuesday through Saturday schedule are closed Saturday, July 4. Branches will resume regularly scheduled business hours on Monday, July 6. For more information, visit IN.gov/BMV.

WorkOne centers to open to walk-in customers

All 11 WorkOne Northeast career centers are scheduled to open to walk-in customers beginning the week of July 6. Since June 8, the centers have been open to the public only by appointment. That option will still be available. File for unemployment benefits by visiting www.unemployment.in.gov. Hours and days of operation at the centers can be found on Northeast Indiana Works' website at https://www.neinworks.org.

Wabash County 4-H Fair schedule announced


Tuesday, July 7: 7:30 p.m. – Public Fashion Revue at Legacy Hall in the Honeywell Center.

Wednesday, July 8: 7 p.m. – 10-year Member Recognition at the Honeywell Center. Friday, July 10: 10 a.m. – Horse and Pony Show. Sunday, July 12: 3:30 p.m. – Rabbit Show. Monday, July 13: 10 a.m. – Beef Show; and 3 p.m. – Poultry Show. Tuesday, July 14: 10 a.m. – Sheep Show; and noon – Meat Goat, Goat, and Pygmy Goat shows, in that order. Wednesday, July 15: 1 p.m. – Dairy Show. Thursday, July 16: 10 a.m. Swine Show, beginning with showmanship. Saturday, July 18: 1 p.m. – Champion pictures; and 2:30 p.m. – Senior sweatshirt, Achievement and Parade of Champions.


Wabash Art Guild workshop approaching

The Wabash Art Guild is set to host an acrylics-painting workshop featuring Terry Pulley. The deadline for entries is Monday, July 6. The workshop itself is set for Thursday, July 9 at Wabash Christian Church, 110 W. Hill St. Set-up starts at 8:30 a.m. The class will begin at 9 a.m. with a break to eat a bring-your-own sack-lunch. The workshop will continue until about 3 p.m.


5-Day Weather Summary




Friday
Partly Cloudy
92 / 66




Saturday
Mostly Sunny
90 / 70



Sunday
Partly Cloudy
88 / 72




Monday
Mostly Sunny
90 / 73




Tuesday
Chance T-storms
91 / 74

Sun and Moon


Today's sunset 9:23 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:22 a.m.




Full
7/5



Last
7/12



New
7/20



First
7/27

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high temperature of 92°, humidity of 40%. North wind 1 to 7 mph. The heat index for today could reach up to 93°. Expect mostly clear skies tonight, overnight low of 66°. North wind 1 to 7 mph. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny, high of 90°, humidity of 43%.

Many cancers require more than one kind of treatment

DEAR DOCTOR: Our dad was diagnosed with lung cancer and will be getting chemo and radiation. I'm not really sure how they work, or why he has to have both. Should we get a second opinion?

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors



D E A R R E A D E R : We use the word “cancer” to refer to a group of diseases in which abnormal cells within the body begin to divide uncontrollably. They are able to evade the body's natural defenses, and, over time, they can spread throughout the body. The goal of cancer treatment is to prevent these rogue cells from dividing. This is achieved either by killing the cancer cells outright, or disrupting their DNA, and thus their ability to divide. Radiation and chemotherapy are two of the most common cancer treatments. Although each works to stop the progress of the disease, they act in different ways.

Chemotherapy is a systemic treatment. That means that the specialized drugs used in chemotherapy are administered via the bloodstream so that they can reach and act upon cells throughout the body. More than 100 different chemotherapy medications fall into five major categories. Each of these drug categories behave in a different way, but all share the same objective. That is, to disrupt the life cycle of cells within the body that divide rapidly, which includes cancer cells.

Chemotherapy drugs are quite powerful. Because they circulate to all parts of the body, they act on all of the rapidly dividing cells in the body, including those that are not cancer. This includes hair roots, which is why hair loss occurs in many cancer patients undergoing chemo. Other common side effects include nausea, vomiting, fatigue, anemia and infection.

Radiation therapy, by contrast, is a localized treatment. It targets a specific part of the body where cancer cells are found. The powerful energy – delivered via X-rays, gamma rays, electron beams or protons – destroys cancer cells and damages their DNA as well.

This prevents the rogue cells from dividing and growing, and thus stops their spread.

Some radiation treatments involve ingesting, injecting or implanting a radioactive substance, which either locates or binds to cancer cells. Although the effect on non-cancerous cells isn't as severe in radiation therapy as it is in chemotherapy, healthy cells do get damaged. This results in side effects such as skin problems at the delivery site and fatigue.

Depending on the type of cancer and how far it has spread, it's not unusual for several treatments to be used together. This includes chemotherapy and radiation therapy, as well as surgery, immunotherapy, hormone therapy and targeted drug therapies.

In certain types of lung cancer, studies have found that using chemotherapy

along with radiation therapy can improve survival rates. While radiation is effective at targeting solid tumors, chemotherapy can act upon cancer cells throughout the body, including those that haven't yet been identified.

Lung cancer treatment is a rapidly advancing field. For that reason, it's often helpful for patients to have their case and treatment plan reviewed by a physician. To avoid unexpected costs, check with your insurer for guidance on which doctors and facilities are covered by your plan.

Eve Glazier, M.D., MBA, is an internist and associate professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Elizabeth Ko, M.D., is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Send your questions to askthedoctors@mednet.ucla.edu, or write: Ask the Doctors, c/o UCLA Health Sciences Media Relations, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1450, Los Angeles, CA, 90024.

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■ 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, July 6 to Wednesday, July 8 at Oliver P. Morton High School, 6915 Grand Ave., Hammond. To find additional testing locations around the state, visit www.corona.virus.in.gov and click on the COVID-19 testing information link. The ISDH COVID-19 call center will be closed from Friday, July 3 to Sunday, July 5 and will resume operations at 8 a.m. Monday, July 6.

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Cash4Life
21-31-34-38-47, Cash Ball: 1
Lotto Plus
10-19-21-38-40-45
Daily Three-Midday
7-3-1, SB:
Daily Three-Evening
0-5-8, SB: 2
Daily Four-Midday
8-1-9-5, SB:
Daily Four-Evening
2-7-8-9, SB: 2
Hoosier Lotto
11-13-17-21-26-38
Estimated jackpot: \$3.2 million
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$62 million
Powerball
15-28-52-53-63, Powerball: 18, Power Play: 4
Estimated jackpot: \$51 million

THURSDAY'S METALS

Aluminum..... .72
Copper..... .2.73
Lead..... .80
Zinc..... .91
Gold..... 1,777.66
Silver..... 18.01
Platinum..... 818.90

AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices
Thursday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: \$3.48.
Soybeans: \$8.76.



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Melanie Gale Baber

July 29, 1955 – July 1, 2020

Melanie Gale Baber, 64, of rural Wabash, Indiana, died at 12:43 p.m., Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at her home. She was born July 29, 1955 in Huntington, Indiana to Hubert E. and Clara E. (Briggs) Reed. Melanie was a 1973 graduate of Manchester High School and the Cosmetology Class at Upper Wabash Vocational School. She married Richard E. “Rick” Baber, Jr. at the Laketon Wesleyan Church on September 1, 1973. She retired from Ford Meter Box in Wabash on May 1, 2020, after 25 years. She also worked at Pine Branch in Wabash and the



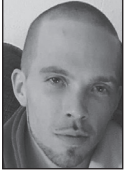
Wabash County Jail. She enjoyed gardening, raising flowers, working crafts, and was a F.I.S.H. volunteer. She is survived by her husband, Richard E. “Rick” Baber of Wabash, two children, Cameron (Heather) Baber of Goshen, Indiana, and Korie (David) Young of Forney, Texas, seven grandchildren, Tanner Baber, Ellie Baber, Tucker Baber, and Tatum Baber, all of Goshen, Carter Sheets, Karrington Young, and David Young III, all of Forney, brother, Myron (Cheryl) Reed of New Haven, Indiana, and sister, Christine

(Stan) Robison of Roann, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her parents, and two brothers, Greg and Chris Reed. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Myron Reed officiating. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery, North Manchester, at a later date. Friends may call 2-8 p.m. Monday, at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Wabash County Cancer Society. The memorial guest book for Melanie may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Cory Lee Sheppard

Feb. 26, 1987 – June 30, 2020

Cory Lee Sheppard, 33, Kokomo, passed away on Tuesday, June 30, 2020, at his residence. He was born in Rochester, Indiana, on February 26, 1987. Cory was a leader in the shipping department of Indiana Packers in Delphi, Indiana.



Cory is survived by his parents, Rex A. Sheppard, Wabash; Cathie Jean (Richard) Conley, Peru; and one son, Malachi Mi’Savior Sincere Sheppard and his mother, Bryanna Williams, Kokomo. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday,

July 7, 2020, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, Indiana. Burial will follow in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Logansport. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Monday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home for the benefit of his son, Malachi.

Russell Claude Gagnon Jr.

Russell Claude Gagnon Jr., 80, North Manchester passed away July 1, 2020 at 6:08 a.m. at his residence. The loving memory of Russell Claude Gagnon Jr. will be forever remembered by his wife, Lois Gagnon, North Manchester; three

sons, Russell Lee Gagnon and Scott Eugene (Stacy) Gagnon both of Columbia City, Indiana, Dean C. Gagnon, North Manchester; two brothers, Otis Harter (Jeanne) Gagnon, New York, Clifford Lee (Irene) Gagnon, Leesburg, Indiana;

one sister, Eva Marie (Bill) Parcell, Wakarusa, Indiana; and one sister-in-law, Rosemary Gagnon, North Manchester. Note that no services will be held. Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

Martin Bloom Sacks

Martin Bloom Sacks, 73, Warsaw, died June 30. Family and friends may call July 16, 2020 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at McKee Mortuary, 1401 State Road 114 West, North Manchester. The funeral service for Mar-

tin will be held at the conclusion of calling and Pastor Jim Baughman will officiate. The memory of Martin Sacks will be cherished by his son, Daniel Martin (Katie) Sacks, Claypool, Indiana; numerous business col-

leagues and friends. For those who wish to honor the memory of Martin Sacks, memorial contributions may be made to the American Huey 369, 1697 West Hoosier Blvd., Peru, Indiana 46970.

Patricia Ann Sweet

Funeral Services for Patricia Ann Sweet, 87, of Wabash, Indiana, were 10 a.m., Thursday, July 2, 2020, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral

Service, Wabash. Pastor Billy Hesketh officiated and Cindy Wilson was the musician. Burial was in Mississinewa Cemetery,

Somerset. Pallbearers were Jared White, Lee Sweet, Trevor Martin, Renn Martin, Ryan Sweet, and Jeremy Sweet.

Wabash VFW Post No. 286 to host fish fry

Seating is limited per Holcomb’s directive

STAFF REPORT

The Wabash Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post

No. 286 is set to host a fish fry from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 3 at 3678 W. Old 24, according to Dan Ford. The cost is \$8 per person and is all-you-can-eat dine-in with carryout available. The menu will include

hand-beer-battered fish, baked beans, coleslaw and hush puppies. It is open to the public, but seating is limited per Gov. Eric Holcomb’s directive. For more information, call 260-563-2463.

Trump, Biden opine on jobs report

NEW YORK (AP) — The U.S. economy just posted its best single-month job gain in history. U.S. unemployment is at one of its worst points since the Great Depression. Both are true. As Republicans and Democrats fought to spin Thursday’s jobs numbers to their advantage, both sides face tremendous political risks in navigating a delicate and defining issue heading into the presidential campaign’s final months. Democrats, led by presumptive nominee Joe Biden, seized on the growing threat presented by coronavirus after the better-than-expected numbers were released, a stance the Republicans called rooting against America’s recovery. President Donald Trump

claimed a major economic victory and played down the health threat, even as an explosion of new infections threatened to stall, or even reverse, the economic gains. Deep uncertainty lies ahead, experts warn, despite two months of record job growth. And with only two more monthly jobs reports expected before the Nov. 3 election, the dueling visions of America’s economy establish a new frame for the high-stakes debate ahead. “Today’s announcement proves that our economy is roaring back,” Trump exulted to reporters at the White House after the June numbers were released. He later added, “The crisis is being handled.” Two hours later, Biden offered a darker assessment. “There’s no victory to be

celebrated,” the former vice president said in a video recorded at his home in Delaware. “We’re still down nearly 15 million jobs and the pandemic is getting worse not better.” “Today’s report is positive news and I’m thankful for it – for real,” Biden continued. “But make no mistake, we’re still in a deep, deep job hole because Donald Trump has so badly bungled the response to the coronavirus.” Thursday’s data showed a surge of 4.8 million new jobs last month, a snapshot of the economy as of three weeks ago. The U.S. unemployment rate improved from 13.3 percent in May to 11.1 percent in June as many Americans thrown out of work by COVID-19 were called back.

Virtual, in-person church services

STAFF REPORT

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting www.bachelorcreek.com.

Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

College Corner Brethren Church

Pastor Joe Bellone’s sermons are posted (with handouts) on both Facebook and YouTube under “College Corner Brethren Church.”

Dora Christian Church

At the Sunday, July 5 service at Dora Christian Church in Lagro, the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. There will be two Sunday services, one at 8:15 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m., with Sunday School classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Preacher Mark Wisniewski’s message for this Sunday will be, “Happy Birthday, America” from Psalm 33. The Communion Table will be served by Brad Frieden and Scott Hendry. There will be a Children’s Church for the youngsters at the 10:30 a.m. service and will be led this week by Randall and Linda Good. If you can’t make it to live services, the sermon will be posted on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group Sunday morning for all to see.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church will be streaming the Sunday morning worship service for the next few weeks at 10 a.m. through Facebook at facebook.com/wabashfirstumc.

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the

sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church> and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchestercob.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, “Manchester CoB YouTube Channel.” After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live-stream in the same way. Another way to access the live-stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search “Manchester Church of the Brethren,” and click on the circle profile.

North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebreana Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by

visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click “Live Streaming” at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

St. Bernard Catholic Church

Masses have resumed with safety restrictions. Parishioners 65 and older are urged to stay home, and those attending are asked to observe 6-foot safety distance and all must wear a face mask. Masses are set for 5:30 p.m. Saturdays and 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook Page.

Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.urbanayokeparish.com. Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select “Worship Videos.” The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

At the Wabash Church of the Brethren, Pastor Doug Veal is holding a Zoom meeting each Sunday for worship. The meeting is open at 10:15 a.m. so that everyone can be connected by 10:30 a.m. Join this church service by visiting <https://zoom.us/j/393263884> or by calling 312-626-6799 and enter meeting ID No. 393 263 884.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Go to YouTube - “Wabash Nazarene”



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DAILY SCRIPTURE

If your enemy is hungry, give him bread to eat, and if he is thirsty, give him water to drink, for you will heap burning coals on his head, and the LORD will reward you.

Proverbs 25:21-22

Donald Trump's draconian visa ban

In 2016 Donald Trump vowed to end illegal immigration. In practice, he has had far more success cutting back on legal immigration. The US-Mexico border wall is never likely to be built. By contrast, he has been closing off avenues for those entering the US by the front door. Mr. Trump has taken his boldest step yet this week by banning new work visas until the end of 2020 at least. The ban will hit US businesses, stifle American innovation and give another reason for investors to look to Canada, Europe and other more welcoming destinations.

The only upside is that the proclamation's flimsy reasoning will expose it to legal challenges. That is cold comfort for businesses and careers that have been thrown into uncertainty. The ban will keep at least 500,000 foreign workers out of America for the rest of this year. Nobody should bet on it being quickly rescinded.

There is little economic logic

behind Mr. Trump's move. He cited a "moral duty" to open up jobs to US workers during the pandemic. But there is no fixed quantity of employment. Surveys show that skilled immigrants are major generators of new jobs. The unemployment rate in computer occupations, which will be hardest hit, has fallen from 3 per cent to just 2.3 per cent since January, while the overall rate has soared to double digits since the start of the lockdown. Mr. Trump's ban primarily hits skilled workers, who enter America on temporary H-1B visas. Such workers are highly sought after in sectors from finance to medical research, which is critical to the pursuit of a coronavirus vaccine.

Silicon Valley depends heavily on H-1Bs. Most big tech companies have been growing during the pandemic. The lockdown has also made them realise they no longer have to hire staff locally, but can search for developers, coders and engineers anywhere in the world and operate

them remotely. They may never look back.

US officials say some categories of worker can apply for exemptions. Even this loophole has Mr. Trump's stamp. It comprises speciality occupations, people working in Pentagon-administered research and development and "fashion models that have international acclaim and recognition". The latter was how Melania Trump, the Slovenia-born first lady, entered the US.

No such exemptions exist for the L1 visa, which allows companies to move employees to the US, or for green card applicants, who will have to wait until 2021 to reapply at the earliest. Even for those who may qualify for reprieve, such as medical specialists, the uncertainty is great. Mr. Trump has issued such a panoply of restrictions in the past three years – capped by this latest dramatic move – that US consular officers can refuse applications almost at will. The process was already murky. It is becoming pro-

hibitive and arbitrary.

The real motive for Mr. Trump's move was optical. In the build-up to a general election in which he is struggling in the polls, Mr. Trump wants to show he is redeeming his "America First" agenda. It remains to be seen whether the move has resonance.

It will surely dampen investor appetite at a time when Mr. Trump should be encouraging it. Moreover, it undercuts his foreign policy priority of curbing China's rise. Roughly three-quarters of H-1B visas are held by Indian nationals. It is hard to think of a quicker way to alienate New Delhi. The message to US businesses is equally stark. Almost a third of US-based scientists and engineers are foreign-born. If you want to recruit talent and pursue innovation, you should consider switching venue. For the time being, at least, America is rolling up its welcome mat.

This editorial was first published in the Financial Times.



Trump's visa restriction damages U.S. economy

Last week the Trump Administration announced the suspension of visas for seven different categories of specialized workers and their family members. Many might be tempted to shrug this off, thinking that such a restriction will help American workers find better jobs. That conclusion is mistaken.

This action will shrink the US economy by almost \$100 billion this year alone. It risks permanent damage to our research universities, which are the lifeblood of technical research and development. And it will push American firms overseas in search of talent, reducing the long-term demand for high-skilled workers. The communities that will suffer most are small college towns and rural places already facing ongoing population decline.

Michael Hicks



Last year these visa programs admitted almost 600,000 workers and roughly 250,000 family members to the U.S. About half of these are for foreigners working as camp counsellors, tutors or nannies. The majority of them also attend college in the U.S. The other half of jobs go to very high-skilled workers, typically with masters or doctorate degrees in science, technology or mathematics. Most of these workers just finished college degrees in the United States.

The visa restrictions will redirect hundreds of thousands of foreign students to universities in Canada, Great Britain and Europe. This action will cause deep financial damage to hundreds of American universities. For example, almost a quarter of students who attend Purdue are foreigners, most of whom study here with the intent of obtaining one of these visas.

The damage to America's universities cannot be overstated. In the 120 years since the Nobel prize was first awarded, roughly 40 percent have gone to Americans. Of those awards to Americans, more than one in three went to immigrants. Closing this door would be more damaging to American science and innovation than any single event in our history. This visa plan should be called "Make Foreign Universities Great Again."

The inability to attract the best minds around the world will cause U.S. companies to move operations overseas. Ironically, the likely shift of U.S. research and development operations this visa restriction would cause will be sufficient enough to reduce employment in the U.S. The place that will suffer most will be college towns and places trying to lure high-technology jobs to their regions. Immigrants comprise almost all the population growth outside of large metropolitan places. The Trump Administration's stated reason

for this action is transparently fictitious. For almost four years they've claimed they oppose low-skilled and illegal immigration. This is high-skilled and legal immigration. Have they been lying to the American people for four years? The Administration claims it wants to boost U.S. jobs, but this action will reduce U.S. GDP and employment. The Administration even claimed this is designed to stop the Coronavirus pandemic. That claim is just as serious as suggesting we inject disinfectant or take Hydroxychloroquine.

This visa restriction is just a desperate campaign talking point aimed at the most gullible voters in the nation. But, is that good politics? I think not. Immigrants to the United States represent the very essence of what Republicans said they stood for when I came of age to vote in 1980. President Reagan chose his farewell address to reinforce that point saying, "It is bold men and women, yearning for freedom and opportunity, who leave their homelands and come to a new country to start their lives over. They believe in the American dream." Today, a modestly competent political party, yearning for future electoral success, would make an explicit appeal to immigrants.

Still the political folly of a policy does not constitute an economic argument against it. For that I make the appeal to reason. The unemployment rate for STEM workers perennially hovers close to zero. We live in a world of nearly inexhaustible demand for technical innovation. Adding more high-skilled workers makes the U.S. economy better, with more, better-paying jobs. Foreign students and professors are indispensable to America's innovation-based economy. Slowing the immigration of skilled and educated foreigners is not simply bad public policy, it is transcendently stupid.

To put it simply, a political party that would restrict this type of immigration does not believe in America. They reject the words of Ronald Reagan, who told us "While other countries cling to the stale past, here in America we breathe life into dreams. We create the future, and the world follows us into tomorrow." Any political party aching to restrict the best and brightest from teeming to our shores has no interest in leading us into tomorrow. Voters must not let them try.

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The agonizing sports withdrawal of 2020

Medicalizing unpleasant character traits or bad behaviors by blaming them on "addictions" worsens the modern tendency to minimize individual responsibility. However, about your sports addiction...

Imagine your brain on sports. It is not a pretty picture. The most wondrous thing in the universe is the human brain, and for decades yours has devoted much (most, to be honest) of its bandwidth to games. Now you are suffering something akin to delirium tremens. The agonies you are going through during this withdrawal are evidence that spectatorship is addictive. During baseball's regular season you overdose on 2,430 games, your synapses firing away, sending pleasure pulses through you. But now, with the suddenness of a walk-off home run, all sports, and the firing, have stopped.

And you find yourself mystified by your surroundings, which you last really noticed when you were about 7. Now you resemble the man who in mid-March posted this: "Day 3 without sports. Found a lady sitting on my couch yesterday. Apparently she's my wife. She seems nice."

Day 4 without sports. Began reading Proust. Really? No.

Fortunately, the Major League Baseball channel is methadone for those forced to go cold turkey. In the wee small hours of the morning you might be able to watch, say, Game 7 of the 1992 National League Championship Series. (Spoiler alert: Sid Bream still slides in safe at home, the Braves still beat the Pirates 3-2.) It is 3 a.m. and time for one of those argumentative panels ranking the "10 Best Middle Relievers from Southern North Dakota."

Sports exemplify what Walt Whitman called America's "stir." Civil War historian Bruce Catton called baseball America's greatest conversation piece. Now that the stirring by games has stopped, so has a substantial portion of the nation's conversation. Think of the many memorable aperçus that baseball always generates but that will not be uttered because baseball is dormant. There will not be gems like this from former Braves manager Dave Bristol: "Only trouble I ever had with chewing tobacco was that the orthodontist said my daughter was going to have to give it up because of her braces." Or Ralph Kiner, Hall of Fame slugger, Mets broadcaster and amateur physicist, explaining how cold weather can shorten by 25 feet the distance a fly ball travels: "If the fence is 338 feet [away] and you hit the ball 338 feet, you'll be 25 feet short."

Admit it, you are not even ashamed that your first – yes, first – thought when COVID-19 caused the shutdown of everything was not "this is going to leave tragedies in its wake." Rather, you thought: "Mike Trout will miss a chance to make his career numbers even gaudier." Sports Illustrated's Tom Verducci notes that Trout's loss will not be as great as that suffered by Ted Williams, a Marine aviator who lost his age-24, -25 and -26 seasons to World War II military service and all but 43 games of his age-33 and -34 seasons to the Korean War. "Williams," Verducci calculates, "lost about 154 homers, finishing with 521 instead of 675."

Bob Feller's loss was larger. In 1936, the soon-to-be high school senior from Van Meter, Iowa, made his debut with the Indians at age 17. He was the youngest in history to win 100 games and had 107 wins when, two days after Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the Navy. Unhappy with a safe stateside posting, he became chief of an anti-aircraft gun crew on the battleship Alabama. It steamed 175,000 miles, participated in eight Pacific island landings and was off Saipan when U.S. forces shot down 400 enemy aircraft.

In the 1939, 1940 and 1941 seasons, Feller won 24, 27 and 25 games, respectively, and he won 26 in 1946, his first full season back. He ranks 37th among pitchers in terms of wins (266). But for the war, he might have passed Grover Cleveland Alexander and Christy Mathewson, who are tied for third (373), behind only Cy Young (511) and Walter Johnson (417). But, then, how many symphonies were not composed and vaccines not developed because, in A.E. Housman's words, "The saviors come not home tonight: / Themselves they could not save."

Vin Scully, the mellifluous voice of baseball during his 67 years broadcasting Dodgers games, once said, "Andre Dawson has a bruised knee and is listed as day-to-day. Aren't we all?" Yes we are, and it will be nice when we again have baseball to banish that fact to the attic of our brains.

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Neighbor retreats into house after man’s stunning request

DEAR ABBY: I’m a 60-year-old woman. My house is on a corner lot. Just about every time I walk outside, a male neighbor of mine stares at me. He looks like a hobo.

Dear Abby



I felt bad for him, so when he came to the edge of his yard, I asked him from my deck how he was doing because of the quarantine. He responded by telling me to wear a dress because he wants to have sex with me! I was stunned and went back into the house. I didn’t know he was that crazy. Besides ignoring him, what if anything should I do? – Shocked Neighbor In Connecticut

DEAR NEIGHBOR: Because this was a one-time occurrence, it’s possible your neighbor may have been “under the influence,” or has mental health challenges or a touch of dementia. From now on, ignore him, avoid him and warn the other women in the neighborhood about what happened. If I were one of them, I would like to know.

Other than that, there’s not much you can do unless his behavior escalates and he becomes a nuisance. In that case, you may want to go online to the National Sex Offender Registry just to make sure your neighbor is not a registered sex offender. Then it will be time to file a police report.

DEAR ABBY: When seeing a therapist is not an option, I have found writing to be helpful. A cheap spiral-bound school notebook works great. The idea is to write at least one full page every day.

Some days, all I can say is, “I don’t want to write,” but I fill that page anyway, so that the commitment is met. However, other days I find I can pour my heart out, unload the things that are hurting me, express my anger, resentments, disappointments and longings. Sometimes, while I’m waiting for the thoughts to come, an insight or solution will present itself.

Because I’m afraid of my thoughts being found and read by someone else, I destroy each page after it’s written. Names can be disguised. The simple act of getting those thoughts out of my head and onto paper helps to relieve stress tremendously. Just thought I’d share this with you. – Writing It Down In The East

DEAR WRITING: Writing or journaling is a very effective way to organize one’s thoughts and purge negative emotions. I’m glad you suggested it because I think it may help some of my readers. Thank you!

DEAR ABBY: I babysit my nieces and nephews. While we are grocery shopping and we get to the check-out, they’ll ask for candy or chips. If I tell them no, it’s usually because they have already had a treat, it’s too close to a meal or perhaps because they have misbehaved.

What do I do when the person behind me offers to buy it for them? I know they assume I refused because I don’t have the money, and they are trying to be helpful. Saying, “No, thank you,” just upsets the child when he or she knows someone wanted to buy them a treat. Any ideas? – No Means No In Georgia

DEAR NO MEANS NO: Instead of just saying, “No, thank you,” to the person making the offer, explain the reason for your refusal as you have explained it to me. That way, the well-meaning stranger understands that you are not short of funds, and your nieces and nephews hear the reason as well.

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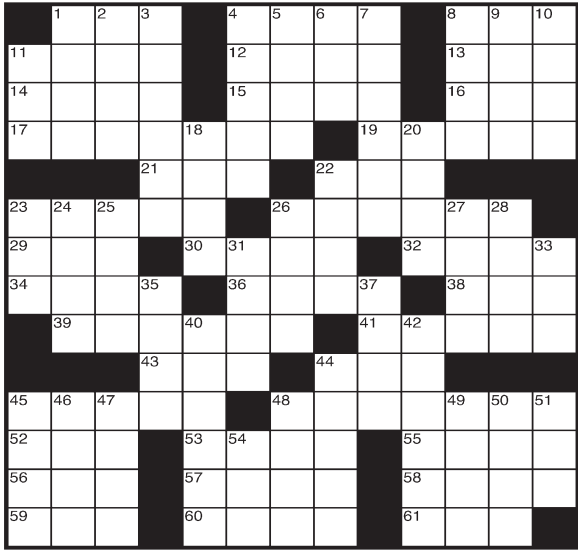
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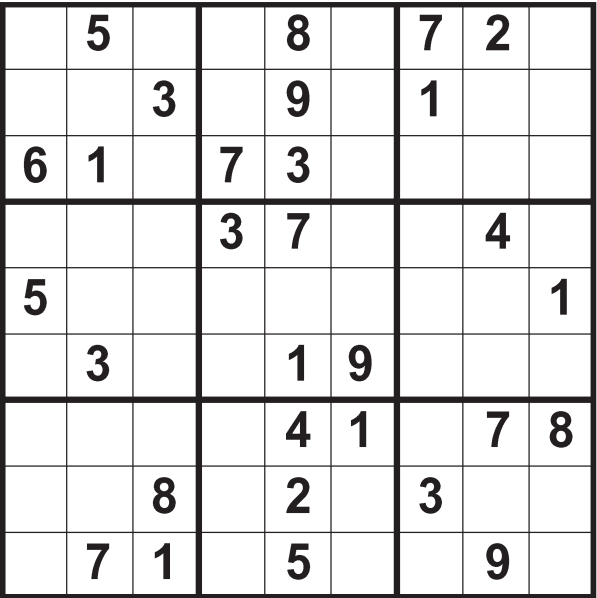
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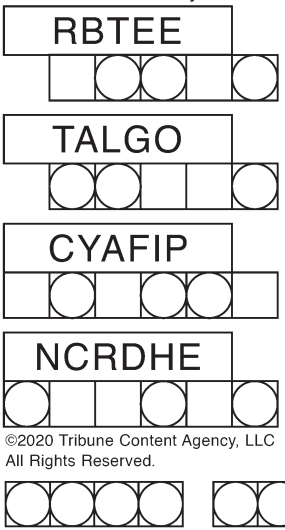
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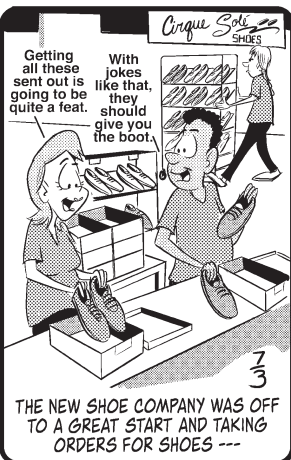
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Yesterday's Jumbles: FRESH LEAKY HERBAL CANNON

Answer: They swam and built a sandcastle. It was going wonderfully. Everything was — “BEACHY” KEEN

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

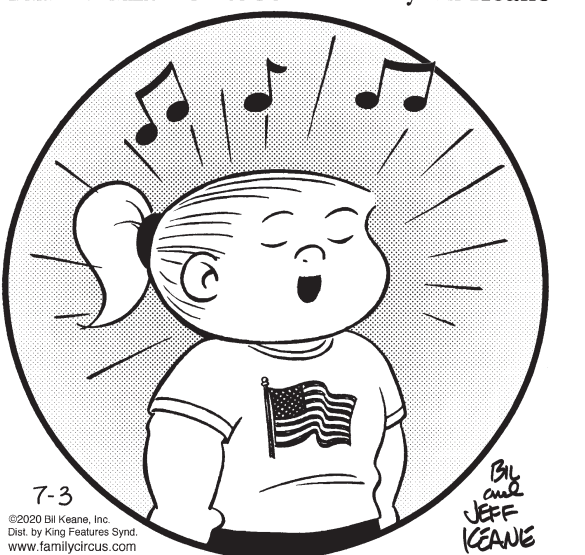


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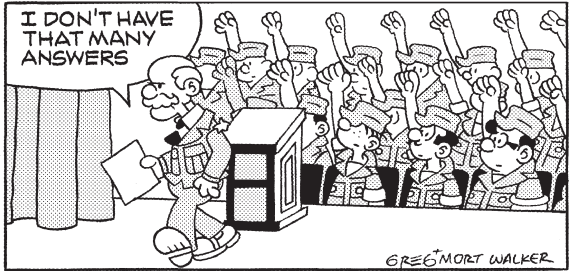
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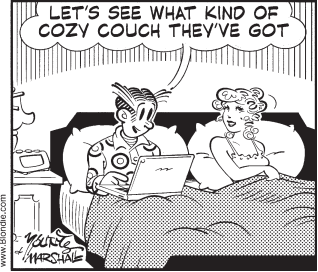
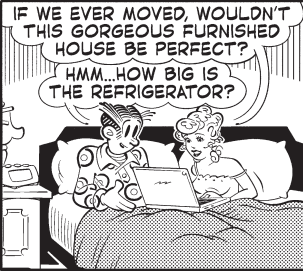


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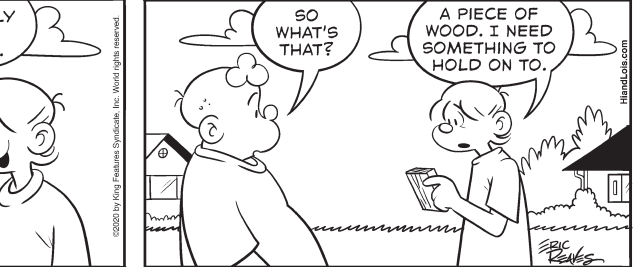
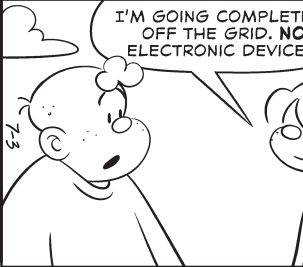
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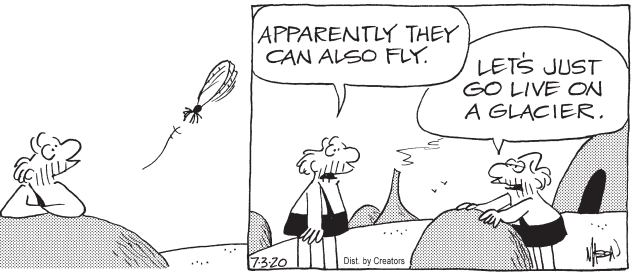
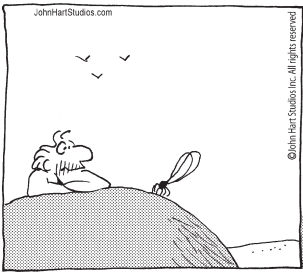
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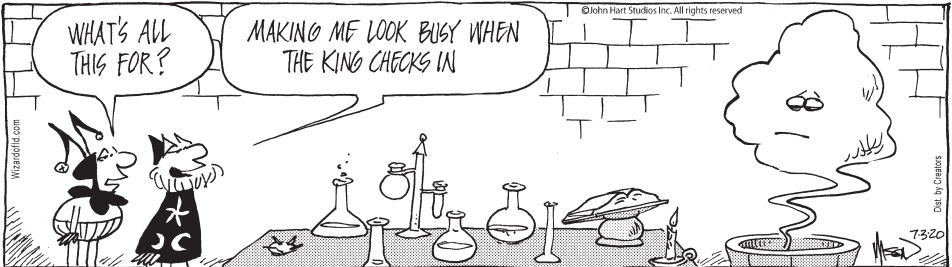
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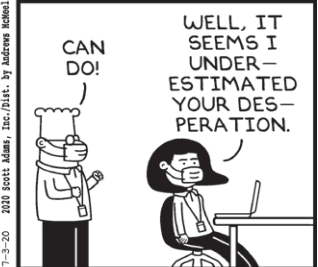
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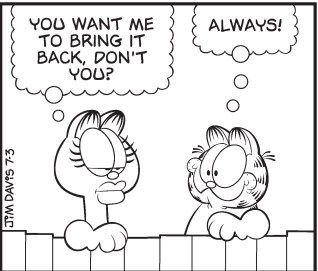
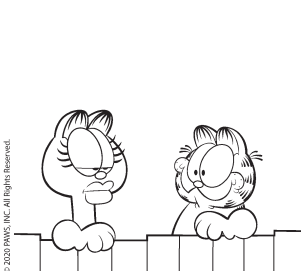
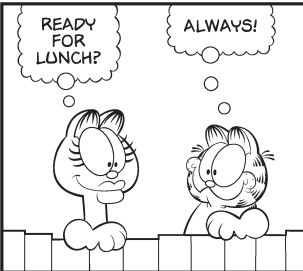
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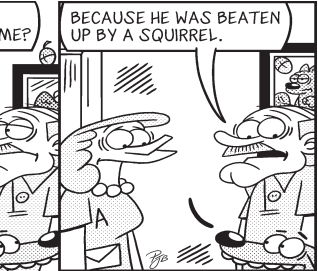
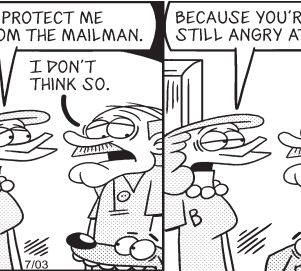
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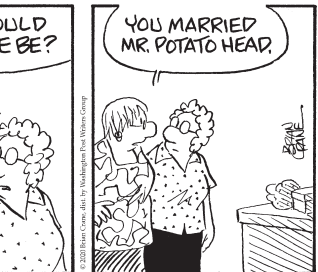
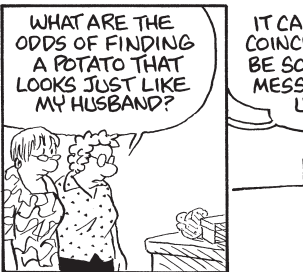
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Only Jesus Christ is truth

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: Some say that God is truth. What exactly does that mean? — T.S.

A: Jesus said, “You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32).

Why did He say this? Because He also said, “I am ... the truth” (John 14:6). What a marvelous statement this is. Scripture warns that many will come claiming to have the truth but only Jesus Christ is Truth.

Jesus told the truth about sin. “For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts ... All these evil things come from within and defile a man” (Mark 7:21-23).

Jesus told the truth about love. “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever

believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

Jesus told the truth about judgment. “He who rejects Me ... the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day” (John 12:48). He warned people to flee the wrath to come. If we believe a warning and act on it, it can save our lives.

Judgment’s coming and Jesus has given us ample warning, but some don’t believe. Many people rest on the fact that they’re liked by others, that they do good deeds, and that they have contributed to

society. But it doesn’t change the fact that mankind must repent of sin and receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Jesus told the truth about repentance. The word repentance means change — to change our minds, to change our way of living. He said, “Unless you repent you will all likewise perish” (Luke 13:3). But we can’t do that on our own. Only God can help us.

Jesus told the truth about salvation. “For the Son of Man has come to seek and save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10).

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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Previous Solution: “If being crazy means living life as if it matters, then I don’t mind being completely insane.” — Kate Winslet

TODAY’S CLUE: J syenbe S

Do not underestimate what God can do in and through you

By DAVE PHILLIPS

These last few months have been different indeed. An unseen virus killed so many. Fear gripped many of us. Unseen prejudice and hatred erupted in anger and riots.

Armed conflicts keep popping up around the world. The value of human life seems diminishing. Facing hard realities does not come easily for any of us. I feel like I am living the 1960s all over again with a pandemic thrown in.

When Paul wrote I Timothy, he was nearing the end of his life and ministry. Unrest and uncertainty rocked the known world. A relatively small group of people know as the called-out ones, the church was struggling to stay alive and grow. They eventually impacted the society in which they lived. Every generation of the church has the same challenge.

This July 4, we celebrate the birth of our nation, with all of its flaws, challenges and goodness. We may not be able to celebrate with fireworks and parties this year. However, we can celebrate in our hearts and in our actions to grow wiser and stronger through all the adversity and challenges. How did Paul challenge the early church to live in such an environment?

First, he called them to prayer.

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for

kings in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness (I Timothy 2:1,2).

Notice that he uses several words to describe prayer. This emphasizes the importance and power of prayer. This first step turns to God and seeks his presence in our lives. We cannot do this in our power and strength. Leadership in any organization or country is vital to the health and well-being of those people. We pray that our leaders will have godly wisdom and the character to persevere in the hard times, that they will follow through on hard decisions.

Prayer changes us. May we be godly leaders in our hearts, homes, churches and community. If we cannot lead ourselves with love, self-control and peace, how can we influence others? If our homes and churches are strong, goodness will prevail, prejudices will be overcome, adversity will build character, the truth will prevail.

This truth is found in Christ. Paul goes on to say: This good and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and human beings, Christ Jesus himself human, who gave himself as a ransom for all people (I Timothy 2:3-6) Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life, no one can come to the Father except through Him. He enables us to face the truth about ourselves and the

world we live in. His word is truth. Sanctify, set them apart to the truth, your word is truth (John 17:17).

Next, we reaffirm our commitment to Christ and following him as the only way. It is so easy to assume that we are doing this. Time in prayer, in the Bible and with God's people helps keep this commitment fresh and vital. Every day commit your life and heart to the Lord.

In the late 1960s, we lived in a housing project in South Carolina that had just been integrated. It was a rough neighborhood. But we took care of each other. When a gang outside of our project threatened, we had each other's backs. My junior age Sunday school class that met in our apartment was integrated. They were surprised to find that the slave Onesimus in Philemon was white. We studied, laughed and played together. Christ made the difference in a world of conflict and protest.

So, this July 4, celebrate by spending time praying for our leaders and each other for the glory of God and the good of His people. Thank God for the blessings He has given and continues to give. Persevere until his will is done on earth as it is heaven. Do this with your friends and family. Do this until the whole world knows Jesus. Do not underestimate what God can do in and through you. Make it happen.

Dave Phillips is the pastor of Wabash Friends Church.

Funeral planned in Germany next week for retired pope’s older brother

BERLIN (AP) — A funeral is to be held in Germany next week for the Rev. Georg Ratzinger, the older brother of Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI who died Wednesday at the age of 96.

The Diocese of Regensburg said Thursday that Ratzinger will be laid to rest in the Bavarian city's Catholic cemetery Wednesday following a service led by Bishop Rudolf Voderholzer.

The acclaimed boys' choir Ratzinger headed for several decades will stage a farewell concert Sunday. The public is invited to attend prayers in Regensburg Cathedral on Monday evening.

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Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Solomon David, Lead Minister; Michael Eaton, Worship Minister; Ken Goble, Senior Adults Minister; Taylor McSarland, Women's Director; David Diener, Student Minister; Tyler Leland, Children's Minister; Nate Tlyer, Youth & Outreach Minister; Ryan Keim, Next Step Minister; Janet Legesse, Early Childhood Director. NOW OFFERING 2 SERVICE TIMES. Adult Bible Fellowship & Worship, 9:15am, 10:45am. ONLINE SERVICES ONLY

LUTHERAN

Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S Huntington St. Wabash IN. Pastor Tom Curry. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 am with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship and a time of fellowship after each service. Wednesday evenings include soup supper at 6:00 pm followed by an informal service at 7:00 pm. www.LivingFaithWabash.org ONLINE SERVICES ONLY

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

UNITED METHODIST

First United Methodist Church, 110 N Cass Street. Senior Pastor Nathan Whybrew, Pastor of Visitation Rev. John Cook. Youth Pastor Nick Smith. Director of Children's Ministry Angel Hostetler. (260) 563-3108. Sunday Schedule: 8 & 10am Worship Service. 9am Teen & Adult Sunday School & Children's faith learning. 10:15am Sunday School for Pre-School thru 5th Grade following Children's Message (except for 1st Sunday each month). First Friends Early Learning Ministry: age 4 weeks thru 12 years 6am to 6pm weekdays. Carolyn Satterfield, Director. Wesley Academy Pre-School: age 3 through Pre-K. Susan Vanlandingham, Director. Service streaming on our Facebook page.

North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Mark Eastway. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all ages. "NO SERVICES UNTIL RESTRICTIONS LIFTED"

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